REMARKS

Claims 1 to 4, 6, 9 to 11, and 20 to 23 were pending in the present application when last examined; claims 12 to 19 were withdrawn. Applicant has canceled withdrawn claims 12 to 19. Claims 1 to 4, 6, 9 to 11, and 20 to 23 remain pending.

Drawings

The Examiner objected to the drawings for failing to show every feature of the invention as described in claim 6, which recites a caulking agent that surrounds at least a portion of a cap. Applicant respectfully traverses.

Figs. 3A and 3B show that a caulking agent 36 runs from a cap 30 down to a substrate 22. At the top of a gasket 32, caulking agent 36 at least partially surrounds a bottom portion of cap 30. Thus, Applicant respectfully requests the Examiner to withdraw the drawing objection.

§ 103 Rejections

Claim 1

The Examiner rejected claim 1 under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Applicant's Prior Art ("APA") in view of U.S. Patent Application Publication No. 2003/0062830 ("Guenther et al."). Specifically, the Examiner stated that the APA fails to disclose the recited caulking agent but that Guenther et al. discloses a caulking agent 470 partially surrounding a bonding agent 420 at an inner surface of a gasket. Applicant respectfully traverses.

Guenther et al. does not disclose a caulking agent on a gasket. Instead, Guenther et al. discloses an organic light emitting diode display 400 having a dielectric 470 deposited on a conductive layer 420 on a substrate 410. Guenther et al., paragraph [0018] and [0019]. Dielectric 470 forms isolation pillars for isolating cathode materials and for supporting the layers above (located throughout the device and not just adjacent to the perimeter). Guenther et al., paragraph [0019]. Thus, dielectric 470 is not used as a caulking agent on a gasket. In fact, Guenther et al. does not even disclose a gasket between a lid 450 and substrate 410. Instead, Guenther et al. discloses that lid 450 is mounted to substrate 410 by adhesive 430. More importantly, Fig. 4 of Guenther et al. shows that dielectric 470 is located away from the adhesive 430, indicating that dielectric 470 does not reinforce adhesive 430 in any manner. In view of above, one skilled in the art would not be motivated to use dielectric 470 as a caulking agent around a gasket in the APA. Accordingly, claim 1 is patentable over the APA and Guenther et al.

Claims 2, 3, 4, 6, 9 to 11, and 20 to 23

Claims 2, 3, 4, 6, 9 to 11, and 20 to 23 depend from claim 1 and are patentable for at least the same reasons as claim 1.

Summary

In summary, claims 1 to 4, 6, 9 to 11, and 20 to 23 were pending in the present application when last examined; claims 12 to 19 were withdrawn. Applicant has canceled withdrawn claims 12 to 19. For the above reasons, Applicant respectfully requests the Examiner to withdraw the drawing objection and claim rejections, and allow claims 1 to 4, 6, 9 to 11, and 20 to 23. Should the Examiner have any questions, please call the undersigned at (408) 382-0480x206.

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